

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3035 - HB 3269

March 12, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows the Board of Nursing to utilize screening panels in the investigative and disciplinary process to insure that complaints are meritorious. The panels may contain board members, volunteers or contracted professionals. Mediation and arbitration sessions are exempted from the Open Meetings Act. The panels maintain the same immunity as the Board. The board will be allowed to charge direct prosecution costs to a licensee who violated board regulations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Not Significant
Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Assumes some decrease in expenditures from hearing fewer complaints as a result of the screening process and some additional revenues from recovery of prosecution costs.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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